

[Note.—An asterisk (\*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

### III

ACTS ASSENTED TO BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND THE GOVERNOR.

\* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ I have to announce that the undermentioned Acts which were passed by the Council received the assent of His Excellency the Governor-General on the dates noted against each :—

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| (1) The Madras State Aid to Industries (Amendment) Act, 1928. | ... | 27th November 1928. |
| (2) The Indian Fisheries (Madras Amendment) Act, 1927.        | ... | 2nd December 1928.  |
| (3) The Annamalai University Act, 1929.                       | ... | 11th December 1928. |

Acts assented to by His Excellency the Governor.

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ I have to announce that the Jaina Succession Act, 1928, which was passed by the Council received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the 14th January 1929.”

### IV

ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* THE ARREST OF SOME ANDHRA LEADERS.

\* Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU :—“ Mr. President, Sir, under Standing Order No. 22 I beg leave to move that the business of the Council be adjourned to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, to wit, ‘ the unwarranted and illegal arrest, under section 151, Criminal Procedure Code, of some of the Andhra leaders including Desabhakta Konda Venkatappayya Pantulu and Mr. K. V. R. Swami Nayudu, M.L.C.; on the 17th February 1929 in the City of Madras.’ ”

\* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ Before I find whether this motion is in order or not, I wish to know whether the Government have got anything to say with regard to the question of order.”

\* The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—“ The arrest has been made and the people were released and where is the urgency now (laughter in Congress benches)? I believe there has been a ruling in cases like this—I do not know whether it is by you, I speak from memory—that there is no urgency because the action has been done and it is over. In cases like this it cannot be said that there is any urgency.”

\* Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU :—“ With reference to the object of this motion, the urgency is with regard to the prevention in future of such illegal and unwarranted action by the Police.”

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—“ The thing is so obvious that I do not propose to say anything more.”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—“ It is obvious to all of us, Sir.”

\* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ Here, the motion is regarding the arrest made under section 151 under certain conditions and I think they may take similar action to-day or to-morrow. I think if the Opposition is able to convince the Government that the circumstances do not warrant steps under section 151, they may issue instructions not to take such steps under similar circumstances in future. That is the urgency.”

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[25th February 1929]

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—"In my humble opinion, Sir, no."

\* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"I think the motion is in order. I want to know whether the hon. Member has got the leave of the House. (After a pause.) Since no hon. Member has objected, the hon. Member has the leave of the House. The question is whether it will be for the convenience of the House to take it up either to-day or to-morrow."

(Voices from the Congress benches : 'To-day, Sir.')

\* The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—"I am advised that the hon. the Finance Member's budget speech will not occupy more than an hour or so and therefore, if the adjournment motion were taken up to-morrow, it will enable us to get on with our work to-day. I do not in any way press the point."

\* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"It depends on the consent of the Government. (After a pause.) It will be taken up to-day at 2-30 p.m."

## V

## DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR 1928-29.

## GRANT XXIII—CIVIL VETERINARY SERVICES—TRANSFERRED.

\* The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—"Sir, on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor I move—

*'that the Government be granted a further sum not exceeding Rs. 9,700 under Grant XXIII. Civil Veterinary Services—Transferred'*

for the purchase of additional sera and vaccine for the Veterinary department. The explanatory note of the Finance Department gives details with regard to the demand. Since sending the note, the Government have received information that there is a further saving of Rs. 12,000. Hence the amount now required is Rs. 9,700 only."

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I second it."

\* Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—"Mr. President, Sir, before this amount is sanctioned, I think it would be well to know from the hon. Minister what steps have been taken to have this inoculation carried on effectively and on a large scale. I understand that in the districts of Anantapur and in some parts of Bellary also, cattle are suffering from this epidemic. I do not think there is any reasonable chance of this epidemic being successfully combated if only the Deputy Superintendent and a few others are to attend to the work of inoculation. I should like to know what further steps the Government are going to take to successfully combat this disease."

\* Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—"I would like to urge the same point as has been pointed out by my hon. Friend from Bellary. Since a certain amount was sanctioned for serum-simultaneous, I have learnt that rinderpest has been raging wildly in South Kanara district. It has extended even to Mangalore. But I find that serum-simultaneous is not to be found anywhere in the district. When asked, it was stated that they had ordered for it and that it would take some days to come. I do not know how many heads of cattle have died. In Mangalore taluk, there is no separate officer to make use of the serum. I do not know how much money has been spent on this serum-simultaneous and by what agency it has been done. I want to